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OPTICAL SWITCHING AND SORTING OF BIOLOGICAL

SAMPLES AND MICROPARTICLES TRANSPORTED IN A

MICRO-FLUIDIC DEVICE, INCLUDING INTEGRATED B

CHIP DEVICES

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as indicated on the following pages. Applicants request that pending claims, 1-16 and 32-56, be examined in view of the amendment to the claims and remarks contained on the following sheets, a total of 26 pages.

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